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The Weshmuton (Iowa) Gazette quote marticle from this paper and says:

An editorial in the Narrosat Rescuticas (Washington, D. C.) gives sound reasons which are free from partisauship which should induc-Democrats and Republicans alike to vote spains the confirmation of L.Q.C. Lamus for associate justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.

Mr. Sprakun, we move a reconsideration of the vote by which the President's message was ordered printed, that he may have opportunity to substitute upon the basis as indicated by Sam Bandall in the New York World, Upon this proposition Virginia votes "sye" and Georgia votes "aye" through their legislatures. As the roll i called the votes will be announced here

Ir is stated that the President is annoyed by the delay of Speaker Carlisle in forming the committee on ways and means. I has been intimated that the sage of Oak View prefers the diplomatic, experienced and genial "Samme" Cox for the impormittee and leader on the floor, in place of the wild, bumptions, and gassy member from Texas, the first letter of whose name

THE New York Sun says:

A most vivacious contest has for a long time been going on in Louisiana between the partisans of Gen. McEnery and those of ex-Gov. Nicholls, both candidates for the Democratic nomination for Governor. It is impossible no to be convinced by reading the McEnery papers and the Nicholla papers that both can-didates deserve and will receive the nomina-tion. We don't know how they will arrange it. but the fact seems clear.

On the contrary a careful reading of Gov McEnery's opening speech at Monroe, La. and of the leading newspaper advocate of each, brings us to the conclusion that both the candidates and a number of their striker should be in the penitentiary.

CONGRESSMAN FELTON, of California, i an interview being asked how Preside-Cleveland's message was received by h people, replied :

With much disfavor, not only by Republicae but by Democrata. Possibly the majority of the latter are protectionists, and it is my sincere belief that should the message by lucy. porated in the Democratic platform for 180 Republican mejorities greater by far than have yet been polled will be rolled up on the Pacifi-slope next year. I blink the entire lotern's should be abolished. The gov ernment has no necessity for it. In this wa shall we present a repetition of the surplu bogaloo. I agree with Mr. Clevelad in our respect, however. The person should be taxe-for only so much as will pay the legitimar expenses or the government beanomically as

The Vicksburg Hecald in 1877 said:

At Aberdeen last Saturday Col. Lamar modand rigging tones he declared that the contest involved the supremacy of the uncon-quered and unconquerable Saxon race. We were glad to hear this bold and manly avowal. and it was greeted with deafening plaudits. We have never seen mon more terribly in earnest, and the Democratic white-line speech made to them by Col. Lamar aroused them to a white heat. And the same paper contained the fol-

lowing:

If the killing of anybody is necessary, w repeat what we have heretofore said-Lot, the poor negro pass, and let the white secondrels who have fired his heart with evil passions be the only sufferers.

In grasping at atrawa is a sign of drowning, the Democratic editors must think their party pretty near the bottom of the sea. There is one free trade journal, the Chicago Tribune, which adheres to the Republican party. It is the only Republican journal which has taken the President's view as against Mr. Blaine in the revenue controversy. At once the Democratic editors proclaim a wide division in the Republican party. To prove this, they daily parade a paragraph from the Tribune, some-times in reduced and again in an inflated form, but always from the same article To add variety and give it spice, at times it is given in bold faced type or with a glaring boad-line. This is a pleasing entertainment for the average Democratic, editor, and as long as it is harmless, let them enjoy their straws. The Republican press, like the Republican party, next year will be unanimous for revenue reform on the line of protection to American interests.

#### A Sudden Conversion.

If Mr. Randall is to be credited with a knowledge of the President's views, and he is correctly reported in the New York B'orld, a change as great as that which con verted Saul the persecutor into Paul the spostle has come over President Cleveland since he sent his message to Congress on the 6th of December.

In that message President Cleveland said: It must be conceded that none of the thlogs ubject to the juternal revenue taxation aratrictly speaking, necessaries; there appears to be no just complaint of this taxation by the consumers of these articles, and there seems to be nothing so well able to bear the burden without hardship to any portion of the people. Mr. Randall, as quoted in the World,

ident's position on the internal revenue ques tion, and he may deem it necessary to send a supplemental message to Congress on the subject. He does not oppose the repeal of the tobacco and brandy tax, and, furthermore, he believes that the Internal revenue laws are oppressive as enforced under existing legisla-

The President says one thing on the

dall says he means directly the opposite of what he said.

If Mr. Randall is correct, there is one ifference between the causes of the couversion of Saul and President C. veland The light which Saul saw and the voice he heard descended from heaven. light and the voice which have effected the change in Grover Cleveland (am: from the other direction. They came from the Democratic party.

#### Binine Did It!

Previous to the last national election there must have been two individualities of the name of Blaine with the prefix James . Both of them had wide experience f tics, were brilliant writers and speakers were stalwart Americans, and are believed to have worn hats above number seven and half in size.

This inference comes from the fact that here is now a certain Blaine, at times called James G., constantly getting in the way of the Mugwumpo Democratic party, and worrying its very life away, whereas the Blaine who was embraced by Burchard lied-politically-early in November, '84. His death was not the ordinary taking off. other. The Mugwumpocratic organs che lahed his memory in startling obituaries, giving in detail his total annihilation. He vas killed all over, every inch of him, torn ssunder, cut in pieces, mangled, until there was so little left of him that his obituarvists likened his fragments to the remains of one who had been "chawed up" by a coalition between a syclone and a charge of nitro glycerine. Then his insignificant remnau were buried so deep that the worms couldn reconvert him into being through the ev-

lutions of the Darwinfan theory.

Yet there is a Bigine, front named Jam. G., apparently robust in body, somewhfamiliar with American politics, and wear ing a bat of respectable size. As a usurpe of the defunct Blaine's mission he is a su cess, and it is safe to predict th t if h persists in refusing to die also, the Mug-wump end of the combination now in power, which is "Eaglish, you know,"

vill expire of nervous prostration. If there is any difference in these Bialacs the latter-day one appears to advantage is the eyes of the average American. He capable of tremendous responsibilities, and defice them. For example, this administra tion was getting along peaceably, when ther was instigated a difficulty between the New England fishermen and the blue noses of the east. Doubtless Blaine did it, too, with malice, in the hope of thereby diver jugpublic attention from the gigantic work of

reform in the \$900 offices.

Then there arose a little difficulty down on the coast of Mexico. It was a difficulty artificially inflated. Blaine must have don it. He wanted to provoke a war in which Mexico would by her prowess expose to the world the feebleness of this Jacksonian administration. Clearly he did it.

The process of reform in the navy, by which miracles were to be wrought, involved the ruin of a great American try. Somebody must be sacrificed in order to show that foreign workmanship was preferable to "protected industry." John Rosch failed; so far it was proper, according to the Mugwumpocratic scheme. Sub-sequently he died of a broken heart, it was said. But he was evidently killed in order to cast reproach upon a magnanimous and atriotic wing of the reform procession. The crime was painfully annoying, and of ourse Blaine did it.

The work of reform once more got noothly underway in Maryland and in Indians, when there came along a surplus in the treasury, and a stringency money market was threatened. It was intended to unsettle values, to create a panic, all for the purpose of breeding distrust, and rendering uncertain the re-election of reform. Blaine did it; it was just like him to collar the financial centers of Europe and America, commandiag them to alt down upon Democracy and crush the life

At about the same time, and probably by mutual understanding, there arose up the Labor party to assail the flinks of an alministration which loves the laborer better than itself. Insidious blows were struck at Jeffersonian simplicity, showing that ome line Italian hand was directing the stiletto. It was Blaine; who else could have done it? Saying nothing, he did it; staying quietly at home, he did it; going abroad, he did it. On general principles, whether he knew it or not, he did it, he does it, and he will do it. This is the wall of the Mugwumpocratic orcanist, who waxed fat on blaine dead and longs for the gore of Blaine living.

But the saddest deed of Blaine remains to tell. One morning the world was mildly aware of a free trade speech from the white souse, which was applauded to the echo by Great Britain and the importers. The next morning the world was cheered by a hot counter-current from a stalwart American in Paris, who is a better American abroad than many alleged Americans are at home. It agitated the country with enthusiasm, and drew forth the curses of Great Britain and the importers. It provoked the inquiry among Democrats, Who could have induced our President to invite this disastrous controversy? It must have been some deep, designing person. Of course Blaine did it. He victimized the confiding President in order to gain a chance to air his

confounded notions on protection. Will Blaine never cease from troubling the free traders at home and abroad? Is he destined to be a perenulal thorn in the side of the man of destiny? These are the conundrums that bring anguish to the souls of Mugwumpocrats, whose views are "Eng-lish, you know-quite English." It is lucky, they say, that one Blaine is dead, for two such monsters would lift the world and drop it upon the unoffending heads of Cieveland and reform. As it is, a ghostly apparition agitates their vision of the future. It is a sort of second confing of Blaine, Whether he bear the standard or not, they see him in the fore front of the battle against sham reform, fraudulent elections, and imported policies. As they sink from view before the return of Republicanism already

their cry is formulated : "Blaine did it." Tsuly, the Mugwumpocratic conscience has been fearfully worked upon, and the blear-eyed goddens of reform sees the whole world in a state of inflammation. It was wrought by some bold and heartless manipulator. Who did it, who could have done it out "that blawated Blaine F"

### Home Rule, Real and Sham

An early and lete organ of free trade emocracy, referring to the s'eadfastness f the Republicans in behalf of home rule or Ireland, pretends to believe that they are sgainst home rule in the south. It round for this belief is the expressed de sire of the Republicans to cure by legisla ifon the abuses upon the ballot and th violent methods which parvert the senti ment of one-hulf those states. It places or a level the cause of the Irish patriots and he cause of the bulldozers, who rule by intimidation and fraud. It belittles home ule by comparing it to a great crime, through which a meager minority seek to neurp the powers of sixty millions of peo-

The home rulers of Ireland have never sought to abridge the rights of other citizets. They have never driven from their homes industrious and peaceable persons 8th of December, and on the 25th Mr. Ran | for opinion's sake. They have never

'frozen out" even "carpet baggers," who came among them with differing ideas sked is only a voice in their own govern ment, a chance to reform abuses, if the exist, and to institute improvements as they may be suggested. Give them hom ulcasit exists in most of the Unite States, and their yearsing would be sates fied. They would be content with much ess of representative government than the federal constitution is supposed to guar antee. They would be happy in return to guarantee equal rights and fair treatment for all. That is why the Republican party

favor home rule for Ireland. The ruling minority of the south have ome rule to its fullest extent, but in return they do not accord equal rights an fair treatment for all. They make no de alal of their purpose to rule the majority peaceably if they can, otherwise if to majority demand an equal share in hom rule. They clamor for home rule, that through it they may perpetuate the rule . They lift their voices high agains any effort to interfere with home rule, whill engaged in the very act of stifling the volof the majority.

In one-balf the southern states there is a such thing as home rule. It is the rule of terrorism which prevails. It is a despotist as bad as that by which Great Britan smothers the voice of Ireland. The Repub lican party upholds the principle of hom-rule everywhere. Its influence will promote it in Ireland doubtless, and its legbe lation will enforce it in the south just a surely as other progressive measures have been enforced by it. No republic can long flourish under the usurpation of a victor minority, and this republic is not ready : country at its own dissolution.

Tur administration organ is not an orga-It simply fiddles to amuse the Democrac tickle the Republicans, and please the Muwumps, with a friendly note for the Ind perdents. Its tune will change, however when it learns that "Uncle Sammy" is runing the administration instead of Carlisle And yet it claims to be the only morale newspaper fit to be read in Washingto We amile, for this boast must be the expression of a field hand.

We give below a second letter from th same gentleman who contributed an artic in the NATIONAL REPUBLICAN of Saturday The argument is so cool from prejudic so clear and comprehensive that every reader of the NATIONAL REPUBLICAN especially those who have the privilege o of Mr. Lamar, should read it:

voting "aye" or "no" on the confirmation of Mr. Lamar, should read it:

Estron. Notices I. Republican: If a recitation of the Lamar's connection with the Mississipp plan to which he must be conscious that he owes his senatorial honors, offends the too forgiving Republican Mugwunp or smacks too much of the bloody shirt for "the northern man with southern principles," let us see if there are not other reasons why Mr. Lamar should not be a justice on the Supreme bench which are worthy of consideration.

The public knew but little of Mr. Lamar's history before he appeared in the confederate congress. It seems that he was a professor in a college for some years, and then became a country lawyer, though it is said he had builtle opportunity for active practice. But it is well known that his study of law and his political training must have led him to adopt views of government which sustain the assumptions of the states against federalism, for we find him hand and glove with Jefferson Davis in his advocacy of secession. Mr. Lamar's mind, philosophical and contemplative in its patture, must, when he was a law suddent or practicing lawyer, have been impressed by the fact that the judicial opinions of the Supreme Court show clearly that the members of the court differed widely, it no radically, in their views and opinions of the study of the arbitrament of the war. And he must have been impressed, too, with the fact that the majority, making the opinion of the court show he had to interpretations of the constitution which festered federalism, in which alone to Union could exist, and, in the line of which we are building a government which a just recognition of the right of the states. He must have been further impressed with the fact that the minority of the court often in its teaching, forefree finally decided with a just recognition of the right of the states. He must have been further impressed with the fact that the minority of the our often in the states. He must have been further impressed with the fact that the mi indical and political doctrines in which notund, if he was sheere, his qualificative for his adherence to the confederacy.

Mr. Lamar was more than 60 years old when he was a trusted counselor of Jofferson Davis. If the political colinions which then had transmitted of his ripe years and mature judgment went hand in had with his thought and learning as a lawyer, his life, acts, all purposes, in the logic of things, commits his daring supersons of the rebellion. It succeeds that like Talleyand, his continons may changed to suit his new masters. He was the trusted friend and counselor of bavis in he effect to destroy the Union. Now, being "the most beloved apostic" of Mr. Cleveland, "a most befored apostic" of Mr. Cleveland, "pilitical family, he is to be rewarded by a pise on the banen. Is the President of the opinion that Mr. Lamar, now in his philosophical ar-

cen the bench. Is the President of the opinios that Mr. Lamar, now in his philosochiest are contemplative days, will yield or has given in the onintons of ripe years and mature lad, more which made him zealously indoors to political and judicial doctrines taught by the suthers of the Bred Scott doctrines taught by the suthers of the Bred Scott doctrines taught by the suthers of the Bred Scott doctrines the such that the judicial history of the Faderal courthat, beginning with the case of Hunter v. Marith—a case in which the Virginia supreme court denied that the appellate power of the federal Supreme Court extended to the Virginia courts—there area series of cases reported that involved constitutional questions which were maintained in favor of the federal power by the court sgainst the views of dissenting judges who, from time to time, announced opinions that made up the woof and warp of the great issues which were finally decided on the battlefields in which the rebel generals appointed by Mr. Gieveland led the defeated armics.

opinions that made up the woor and warp of the great issues which were finally decided on the tattlefields in which the rebel generals appointed by Mr. Geveland led the defeated armics.

We think a careful review of the judicial opinions in which such vital questions as worlder, were decided, will show the danger of allowing the Supreme Court bench to be consigned to the dominancy of men trained in the Calbonn school. The thirteenth, four teenth and fifteenth amendments to the Cousifuction were denounced and opposed by the Democrats north and southin every way, and they became laws or obtained the sanction of the southern legislatures only because they were at the time controlled by Republicans. Their authors intended to embody in them that common thought of the loyal people of the Union, that all men are born free and equal, which animated and made victorious their armies they intended to bind up, like harvest abeaves, the results of their victories. In this language they are declarationy of the equal rights, politically, of all the people and prohibitory in their effect, in the action on the states but history shows that what they intended to declare and protect as well as what they include to declare and protect as well as what they include to declare and protect as well as what they include to declare and protect as well as what they include to declare and protect as well as what they include to declare and protect as well as what they include to declare and protect as well as what they included to restrain is not so desarily set forth as to dispense with frequent judicial consideration. Contemporary history shows too of how little value those declarations as they are enforced by proper legislation, and it is apparent that the prohibitions on the states often, and in many cases will have only, the nearly more of political formula until life is given to the ment, more of the south—in their hashility to the results of the war, redine away by its genious verbal criticism the substance and spirit of the amount

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New York's Secular Celebration,
NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Fo-day was generally
observed as Christmas by the business and
working people of New York and Brookiva.
All the city and federal buildings were closed.
During the day the sky was overeast, and
toward night snow began to fall. The immates
of the sils and chariable inaliturious of the
city were feasted at the expense of the kindiy
disposed. The newsbork were royally feasted,
as usual. By charity in public institutions
alone, over 10.00 people were fed. The day,
as a whole, passed very quiety.

"A war sheet and a flowing sea" is what
some non prescribe forfa cold. This is a terrible, and oftentimes fetal mixtake. Give the
pattern a few doses of Dr. Buil's remarkable,
astonishing, wonder-working Coogh Syrup.

CHRISTMAS AT ST. MATTHEW'S. Most Epjoyable Musical Treat Fur-

nished by the Choir. The observance of Christmas day at St Matthew's Church was of unusual solem nity and grandour, there being eight ser vices, consisting of one high mass, one olemn high mass, five low masses, and solemn vespers. The decorations of the church and altars with evergreens and flowers were tasteful and effective. At the church and altars with evergreens and flowers were tasteful and effective. At the solemn high mass at 11 s. m. the reverend pastor, Dr. D. L. Chappelle, preached an eloquent and instructive sermon upon the Gospel taken from the third mass of the day. All of the services were well attended, particularly at the 11 o'clock mass and the vespers, at which the church was uncomfortably crowded. The music of the day was not the least attractive portion of the services, and was fully up to the standard of excellence for which the choir of St. Matthew's is so deservedly noted. At the solomn high mass the music rendered was Guliman's "Kyrie," Mercadante's "Gioria," the Credo, Sanctus et Benedictus, and Agnus Dei, from 'Silas's Prize Mass; "Judilate Deo," by Diabelli; "Veni Creator," by Weigand, and "Laudate Dominum," by Cassarini; and at the i o'clock p. m. service the following specified music was sang: Edward Marxo's Vespers, lumms "Judilate Deo," by Diabelli; "Alma Redemptoris," by Campans; "O Salutaris," by Weldecker; "Tantum Ergo," by Davis, and Laudate Dominum, by Cassarini. At both services the different numbers were rendered with marked precision, and attention to expression in the crescendo and diminuendo passages, that exhibited careful training of the chorus, the shading and phrasing exhibiting the poetry of sound, from the whisper of a summer wind to the thunder of a storm. The new addition to the reporteire of St. Matthew's choir, Silas's Mass, is worthy of a place among the great masters. The numbers of which were given on Christmas day Matthew's choir, Silan's Mass, is worthy of a place among the great masters. The numbers of which were given on Christmas day are the "Credo," which opens with a grand chorus theme is unison which fully exhibits the majesty and power of faith. This theme is repeated at different parts of the number. The "Et in Carnatus" is a quartetle commencing with an alto solo, and in common form is graceful in melody and tempo and expressive of the words. The "Et vitem" is a spirited fugue with basses leading, is clearly and well written and well worked up, although not long. The "Saucius" is a chorus full of majesty and power, conveying the meaning of the words "Sauctus" is a chorus full of majesty and power, conveying the meaning of the words "Holy! Moly! Lord God of Sabbath, heaven and earth are full of the glory," the "Benedictus" is a beautiful quartette and chorus, soothing in expression of the words, "Bleased is he that cometh in the name of the Lord," and commanding in the interspersed choruses, "Hosanush in the filighest." The "Agnus Dell" is a chorus rich in melody and harmony, and capable of much expression in the appeal to the "Lamb of of God who taketh away the sin, of the world, have mercy on us." The "Dona nobis pacera"—give us peace—is also a movement of the common order, quieting in its effect, portraying "That paace which the world cannot give, peace with Thee, and peace with ourselves," The solo parts were sustained by Meedames Zaidee Rossiter Smith, Josephine E. Daly, the Misses Nannie Noonan, Maggie Gannon, Messrs. Wm. H. Burnett, Arthur May, John H. Nolan, and L. E. Gannou. It is scarcely necessary to say that the principal soloids eaung these parts in their untal artistic manner. Mrs. Zaidee R. Smith's rendition of Diabelli's soprano solo obligato, "Jubilate Dee," was a revelation even to those well acquainted with the purity and flexibility of her voice, and showed careful study of her part. The bravura passages were clearly defined and effectually executed. The depth of tone and beauty of expression shown by Mrs. Daly in singing Waldecker's "O Salutaris" at once stamps her as an artist of more than ordinary merit. Of Mr. W. H. Burnett, the tenor, very little can be written or said that would not be a repetition. However, he never did himself more justice than on Sunday last, in the obligato solo "Qui Tolis," by Mercadante, and Margo's solo, "Esurlentes," in both of which the pure and powerful quality of his tenor voice was well displayed. Mr. John H. Nolan is a new aspirant for solo honors. His efforts on Christmas day places him at once first in the foremost rank of our city hassos. He possesses a fine basso voice of rare power, flexibility, a power, conveying the meaning of the words "Holy! Holy! Lord God of Subbaoth, beaven

spective voices, supporting them, but not predominating. His composition, "O, Salutaris," sung by Mrs. Daly, "is a work that commends itself to the true musician, and gives hope of a future native com-poser, who will rank favorably with any of our present sgc. To Mr. L. E. Gan-non, the director, it must be a great pleasure to know that his untiring efforts to make his choir par excellence to cowned

e bis choir par excellence is crowned with success.

It may be remembered that Cardinal Gibbors, on his recent visit to the Pacific slope, was accompanied by the Rev. Dr. Chappelle. On the doctor's return he visited the choir at rehearsal and told them ited the choir at rehearsal and told them that in all his travel twice "across the continent," the fame of St. Matthew's had preceded him, and many kind and complimentary things were said of it from Minescota to Portland, Oreg., down the Pacific coast to San Francisco, and along the southern route to New Orleans, and thence home.

The music of Christmas will be repeated on Sunday next, the 1st proximo.

MARING THE FIGHT HOT For the Commissioners in Selecting the Mary Hall House.

The action of the District commissioner in persisting in renting the Mary Hall house for an industrial and cooking school in which to train colored children, in opposition to the earnest and repeated protests of the colored citizens, is likely to be produc the colorest chizes, is likely to be productive of further expression of dissatisfaction on the part of those who have fought against leasing the house. Probably no one knows better the wickedness of the locality where this house stands than the commissioners themselves, as they have a police force fully able to post them on that point, and the reputation of the house itself has long been common talk in the community. Its immediate surroundings are not of the kind likely to improve the morals of those residing in the neighborhood, and the place might well be the dread of respectable fathers and mothers, who prefer their children shall go to a school house in any other section than this pot, which stands as a blot upon the city's good tame. Few parents, loving their children, will care to endancer their future lives and their respect for truth and morality by subjecting them to the dangera besetting the young, when forced to go among wayward women, thieves, and their companions and associates. The colored nearly entitle the leasing this tive of further expression of dissatisfaction their companions and associates. The col-ored people believe that in leasing this property against their desire, the commisstoners virtually deny to them a public training and industrial school, as no respectable parents will permit their children

spectable parents will permit their children to attend any school kept there. A number of our most prominent colored citizens residing in the northwestern part of the city have met and agreed to call the parents, guardians, and citizens interested together at once and denonance the action of the commissioners. It is said that they will appoint a permanent committee to procure the names of the children who may be sent to school is this infa nous locality, and leform their parents and guardians of the character of the place and the danger to which the commissioners propose danger to which the commissioners propose to expose their children. At this informal meeting it is claimed that the true charge meeting it is claimed that the true character of the effort to procure the public school funds to pay for the property was exposed, and it was determined that Congress and the people should be told to what base purposes it was intended to prostitute the public school fund.

The call for the meeting is a circular letter to the pastors of churches, and a petition to Congress praying an investigation into the matter was agreed upon. The subject will also be brought up in the dif-

subject will also be brought up in the dif ferent citizens' associations. The publimecting will be called for Monday next, was also agreed that a subcommittee should was also agreed that a subcommittee should report the amount of money spent and the places selected for training and industrial public schools for the white children, and appeal to our white fellow-citizens to join with them in protesting against this act on the part of the commissioners.

KING LUDWIG'S GIFT.

The Eccentric Ruler Makes a Prescut of a \$30,000 Watch.

Herr Ernst Possart, the great German sctor, who has just arrived in this country, and began an engagement in New York last night, has decorations by the score con-ferred by an equal number of crowned heads. Several of them he wears suspended

ferred by an equal number of crowned heads. Several of them he wears suspended about his neck, but the greater number he keeps in a specially made casket.

Among the decorations are those conferred by the emperors of Germany and Austria, the Duke of Saxe-Meiningen, and the late King Ludwig of Bavaria. A month previous to the eccentric Ludwig's death, Possart played Narcisse in the private the sire at the King's castle just outside of Munich. The performance occurred on May 9, and was given with the eccentric monarch consiltuting in himself the entire audience. It was the twentieth annual performance of "Narcisse" given by Possart and the company belonging to the Hof Theatre of Munich, under the same unusual conditions. Upon its conclusion, the king presented the actor with a watch, chain, and locket, which is perhaps the richest and most costly ever manufactured.

The two heavy gold cases of the watch glitter with innumerable diamonds, sapphires, and rubles. The front case bears the name "Ludwig" in diamond script letters Beneath this the king's crown is reproduced in precious gems. The case is also set round with diamonds and sapphires. On the back case is wrought the king's crest, with more diamonds and sapphires surrounding it. The chain is in twenty-live pieces of heavy gold marsball's staffs. Each fleur de lis is set with a large sapphire, and the staffs with smaller ones. The locket contains the last picture painted of King

sterr de its is set with a large sappaire, and the staffs with smaller ones. The locket contains the last picture painted of King Ludwig, and is the work of Muller, of Munich. The locket's case, both back and front, is aglow with gems. There are about 125 sapphires employed, and diamonds almost beyond count. Tiffany's people declare the watch and belongings to be worth \$50,000.

PERRY SMITH REPUDIATED

Jersey Democrats say He is Not Citizen of that State. A special from Trenton, N. J., to Philadelphia Press says that Perry C. Smith, the alleged Jerseyman who was ap-Smith, the alleged Jerseyman who was appointed to succeed Engene Higgins in the Treasury at Nashington, has been very much discussed by the Democratic politicians of the State. He has been given a saug berth, yet no one seems to know him and the Democrats want to know why such an appointment should be given to an unknown man who has done nothing for the party. Smith has been chief disbursing, officer of the Postofice Department, and is put down as coming from New Jersey. He is not a New Jersey man by any means. He hails from Wisconsin. For a short time he bearded at Woodbury, Gloucester county. That gave him a right For a short time he boarded at Woodbury Gloucester county. That gave him a rigor to give his place of residence from tha state. He is also a warm friend of General Vilas, who brought him to Washington and gave him his position in the Postofiles General Vilas had some reason for no wishing to credit Smith to his native state so he worked him on New Jersey. This trick has raised the ire of the Democrats, and they have brought pressure to

crats, and they have brought pressure t bear on Senator McPherson, who intend to see that he is not credited to this state Gen. Vilas, in quitting the Postoffice De-portment, did not care to leave Mr. Smith to the mercy of his successor, and so had him transferred to the Treasury Depart-ment, where Secretary Fairchild, who is said to be a relative, will take care of him.

A Popular Writer. The Raleigh Signal, Dec 15.] While in Washington last week, we mad an arrangement with Mr. Joseph Bradfield, by which that gentleman will be a contribu tor to the Signal during the present session of Congress.

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ant. Disquised a remarkable and successful controversy with ex-Congressman Reid last year won for him a state reputation as a political writer. He has for several years, however, been well known in the Piedmont section.

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